

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

TRIBUTE TO WADSWORTH, OHIO

HON. JAMES B. RENACCI

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. RENACCI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a city I am proud to call home: Wadsworth, Ohio.

This past year, Wadsworth celebrated its bicentennial. It was an opportunity to reflect on how far our city has come and how much we can achieve in the years ahead.

Founded in 1814, the city was named after Elijah Wadsworth, a Revolutionary War hero. Though he never lived in Wadsworth, he was an active member of his community and served as the postmaster, sheriff, and the commander of the 4th Division State Militia. He led by example and showed us just how important it is to give back to a community that has given you so much.

Wadsworth is important to me not only because it's where I have called home for more than 30 years, it's also where I raised my three children. That is why, over a span of 18 years, I served the city in capacities as a volunteer firefighter, a member of the Board of Zoning appeals, a member of the Planning Commission, president of the city council, and as mayor.

Now, as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives, I am working on behalf of the people of Wadsworth and Ohio's 16th District to encourage economic growth in our region and solutions that hold the promise of a bright future.

President Lincoln once said, "The best way to predict the future is to create it." I came to Washington to fight to pass on a better America with more opportunities to our children and grandchildren, and each day I work toward that goal.

RECOGNIZING 100TH EAGLE SCOUT OF TROOP 67

HON. REID J. RIBBLE

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. RIBBLE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the efforts of Patrick McCormick. Mr. McCormick has selflessly dedicated much of his life to Boy Scout Troop 67. Since founding the Troop in 1966, Mr. McCormick has mentored 100 Eagle Scouts. An Eagle Scout himself, Mr. McCormick is a role model for each and every member of Boy Scout Troop 67.

I need not go into detail of the importance Eagle Scouts have played in our country's history with men such as Neil Armstrong and President Gerald Ford. Under the leadership of Patrick McCormick, Troop 67 has ten Eagle Scouts whom are veterans of the United States of America's Armed Forces. One is a

Boy Scouts of America District Scout Executive, one is a minister, thirty-two Scouts that have earned their Eagle Scout Award are now registered as Assistant Scoutmasters and twenty-five have earned their Eagle Scout Palms. The Eagle Scouts, throughout their community service, have identified projects and built the necessary relationships to move those projects forward. These Eagle projects enhance the communities in which they are performed, and provide a road map of encouragement to the scouts that follow in their footsteps.

I commend Mr. McCormick for his many years of service, dedication and mentorship to the young men of this nation. It is men like Mr. McCormick that inspire and engage the youth of our country to grow and do great things.

IN MEMORIAM OF CONGRESSMAN DONALD "DON" HOLST CLAUSEN

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I honor the memory of former Congressman Donald "Don" Holst Clausen, who passed away on February 7, 2015, at the age of 91. Mr. Clausen, a native of Humboldt County, California attended several colleges, including St. Mary's College. From there, he joined the V5 Naval Aviation Cadet Program and enlisted in World War II. His service in aviation during the war carried over to starting a flight school and ambulance service at the Del Norte airport.

Mr. Clausen served on the Del Norte County Board of Supervisors from 1955 to 1962. He was elected to Congress in 1963 following the death of Congressman Clement Woodnutt Miller. During his time in the U.S. House of Representatives, he worked on the formation and expansion of Redwood National Park, and was an ardent supporter of the Klamath, Eel and Russian Rivers. He also worked to establish a 200-mile fishing boundary to prevent the exploitation of ocean fisheries by foreign fleets.

Following his defeat for reelection in 1982, Mr. Clausen was appointed by President Ronald Reagan to be director of special projects for the Federal Aviation Administration, in which he served until 1990.

It is with deep respect that we mourn the passing of Mr. Don Clausen and extend condolences to his daughters Dawn Marie Baumgartner and Bev Mendenhall. His presence will be sorely missed.

HONORING MR. WILLIE THOMAS GRAY

HON. BRADLEY BYRNE

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. BYRNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a great community leader, Mr. Willie Thomas Gray.

Mr. Gray is a native of the Citronelle area in north Mobile County, where he graduated from Citronelle High School. He is the owner and publisher of two weekly newspapers in the area: The Call News and the Washington County News. Under his leadership, the papers have consistently received various press association awards. He is also an active member of the Alabama Press Association and the National Newspaper Association.

After his local chamber of commerce went inactive a number of years ago, Willie Gray stepped up to the plate. He arranged meetings of local business, civic, church, and education leaders to promote the continuation of civic involvement and formed the Citronelle Business Association. Today, Mr. Gray remains active in economic development efforts in the community. His work has included the execution of a professional study, including following-up on the results and planning for development based on its findings.

Mr. Gray has also taken an active role in the betterment of the north Mobile County schools. As a foremost advocate for education, he worked with the Mobile County Public School System to move ahead with construction of a new Citronelle High School and Calcedaever Elementary School and an extensive renovation of historic Rosa A. Lott Middle School. The renovations and new constructions were critical, as some of the buildings were over 100 years old.

Mr. Speaker, we need more people like Willie Gray in our nation. His commitment to the local schools, businesses, and civic organizations serves as a bright example of community involvement. I look forward to a continued partnership with Mr. Gray as we work towards the common goal of making Southwest Alabama a better place to live, work, and raise a family.

IN SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO ON BEING NAMED THE 2014 TOP MICROPOLITAN COMMUNITY IN THE UNITED STATES

HON. ROBERT E. LATTI

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. LATTI. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to recognize the City of Findlay, which is located in Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. Findlay was recently named the 2014

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Top Micropolitan Community in the United States by Site Selection magazine, the official publication of the Global FDI Association and the Industrial Asset Management Council.

The magazine ranked 576 of the nation's micropolitan areas, cities with populations ranging from 10,000 to 50,000 that cover at least one county. While Findlay has ranked well for many years, placing fourth in 2013, this is the first time the city has topped the list.

The City of Findlay has focused its efforts on economic development within the community, and this year's recognition is a testament to the collaboration among local, county and state leaders, the Findlay-Hancock County Economic Development office and the city's community partners. Their efforts continue to make Findlay a great place to live, work, and raise a family. Findlay's future remains bright for the years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the City of Findlay, Ohio, on being named the 2014 Top Micropolitan Community in the United States. I am extremely proud of the growth and investment that have occurred in Findlay over the past year, and am excited about the potential this development brings to the city's residents and businesses who are proud to call Findlay home.

REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF MR.
ALEXANDER E. "AL" TEODOSIO

HON. TIM RYAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. RYAN of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remember the life of Mr. Alexander E. "Al" Teodosio, 90, who passed away on Tuesday, February 10, in the presence of his loving family.

Al dedicated his life to spending time with his family and friends, showing compassion to others, and while serving his country in the armed forces. Al honorably served during World War II as a Private First Class in the Army Air Corps Squadron in the Pacific Theater and demonstrated tremendous strength and courage throughout his tenure. After his service Al returned to the states and became a widely respected attorney and practiced for many years in the city of Akron, Ohio with his late brother, Ernie. In 1950, Al married the love of his life Anna and the two shared over 64 years of love and happiness together. Regardless of his official title, Al aimed to make his community a better place to call home; and he undoubtedly succeeded. From 1976 to 1990, he served as Chairman of the Summit County Democratic Party, and made it a priority to inspire and mentor other local public servants.

Al was preceded in death by his loving parents; dear siblings; son, Alan; and granddaughter, Andrea. He is survived by his loving wife Anna Marie; children, Mary Anne, Thomas, Carol Anne, Robert, Alex; grandchildren, Christine, Kathleen, Joseph, Christopher, David, Lexi, Nicholas, Joseph, Ellen, and Alice. Perhaps the most fitting tribute to Al was written by his own children commemorating the Teodosio's 60th wedding anniversary in 2010. "Thank you mom and dad," it read, "for teaching us the meaning of love, commitment, and family." My dear friend Al

helped to make the world a brighter place and he will be dearly missed.

A TRIBUTE TO SANDRA
CARAVELLA—28TH CONGRES-
SIONAL DISTRICT WOMAN OF
THE YEAR

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Women's History Month. Each year, we pay special tribute to the contributions and sacrifices made by our nation's women. It is an honor to pay homage to outstanding women who are making a difference in my Congressional District. I would like to recognize a remarkable woman, Sandra Caravella of Atwater Village, a unique neighborhood in Los Angeles, California.

Born and raised in the Atwater Village area of Los Angeles, Ms. Caravella attended Atwater Elementary School, Irving Junior High School and John Marshall High School. With the exception of a few years when she and her husband, Joe, also an Atwater Village native, resided in Michigan, Sandra has been a lifetime resident of Atwater Village, where she and Joe raised their family. While a young mother, Sandra volunteered at her sons' school, Atwater Avenue Elementary School as a teacher's aide, and became involved in the Parent Teacher Association. When her youngest son was six years old, she took a part time job at the Los Angeles Convention and Visitors Bureau working as a registration supervisor at conventions, seminars and trade shows, where she remained for over two decades.

Well regarded in her community, Ms. Caravella is a passionate and dedicated volunteer. She is a founding member and current Board member of the Friends of Atwater Village (FAV), whose first venture was to successfully save the historic Van de Kamp Bakery building. As a FAV Board member, Sandra has been instrumental in attaining grants for community beautification projects that include murals illustrating the area's history, flower containers, and a decorative gate at the Los Angeles River and Acresite Street. With three other FAV Board members, she produced calendars featuring local history and a book entitled: Images of America: Atwater Village. Ms. Caravella is a member of the Atwater Village Chamber of Commerce, was the chamber's project manager of the sign committee, and serves on the Tree Lighting and River Committees for the Atwater Village Neighborhood Council.

Married for nearly half a century, Sandra and her husband, Joe, have two sons, Jeff and Brian, two grandsons, Vincenzo and Nico, all of whom live in Atwater Village.

I ask all Members to join me in honoring an exceptional woman of California's 28th Congressional District, Sandra Caravella.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MARK SANFORD

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. SANFORD. Mr. Speaker, I was absent for votes on Tuesday, March 17, 2015, due to my attendance at the funeral of my close friend, John Rainey. By any account he lived an extraordinary life based on the lives he touched, the difference he made and the degree to which he was a great friend to all those blessed to call him just that. I was one of those so fortunate, and accordingly I will miss him dearly. Had I been present, I would have voted in the following manner:

Roll call no. 116: Previous Question on H. Res. 138—Rule providing for consideration of H.R. 1029—EPA Science Advisory Board Reform Act of 2015 and consideration of H.R. 1030—Secret Science Reform Act of 2015: Yea

Roll call no. 117: Rule providing for consideration of H.R. 1029—EPA Science Advisory Board Reform Act of 2015 and consideration of H.R. 1030—Secret Science Reform Act of 2015: Yea

Roll call no. 118: H.R. 1191—Protecting Volunteer Firefighters and Emergency Responders Act: Yea

Roll call no. 119: McKinley Amendment: Yea

Roll call no. 120: Motion to recommit H.R. 1029 with instructions: Nay

Roll call no. 121: H.R. 1029—EPA Science Advisory Board Reform Act of 2015: Yea

THE BATTLE WAGES ON: SECUR-
ING EQUAL VOTING RIGHTS IN
THE UNITED STATES

SPEECH OF

HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 16, 2015

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, this year, we celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Voting Rights Act of 1965. It is an historic piece of legislation that was signed with the pride, humility and blood of brave men and women whose courage has watered the soil of our nation's democracy. For decades, it has been revered as a pillar of America's transformative society. It represented the promise of our forefathers.

Yet, fifty years after its passage, the laws' promises are unfulfilled. And, reflective of the nation's climate during the civil rights era, we are witnessing divisive political forces rally to resurrect the abhorrent practices of racial discrimination and disenfranchisement.

Fifty years after the passage of the Voting Rights Act, minorities across the country are fighting against state voter i.d. laws for the right to vote. Despite the Supreme Court's erroneous holding that "[o]ur country has changed," and there is no longer a need for federal preclearance for changes in voting laws, minorities are facing increased barriers to the ballot box.

While there have certainly been great progress, we still have a long way to go. In the 1960's, our nation was marked by moments of crises, war, poverty and mass social

injustices. Fifty years later, our nation bears the same markings. We met the challenges then. It is time we rise to that challenge once more. Despite the current climate, when it appears that we are fighting a lost cause, we must remember that it is our patriotic duty to continue to fight. We must fight to honor the legacy of those who fought for us. Not only is it our duty to vote—it is also our constitutional right: one that should be protected and restored by Congress.

TRIBUTE TO DR. MARIE PULLIN

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation:

Whereas, our lives have been touched by the life of this one woman, Dr. Marie Pullin, who gave of herself in order for others to stand; and

Whereas, her legacy of dedicated service to enrich the children and others in her community through her volunteerism, creative ability and unwavering advocacy for the youth, the elderly, the poor and the arts are present in DeKalb County, Georgia for all to see; and

Whereas, this remarkable, positive woman with a beautiful smile gave of herself, her heart and her talent; never asking for fame or fortune but only to uplift, expose and inspire those in need; and

Whereas, she led by example from behind the scenes, as well as front and center for the state of Georgia, DeKalb County and the City of Atlanta, multiple ministries, homeowner associations, the Atlanta Edgewood-Kirkwood Neighborhood Center; and in her beloved church, Israel Baptist Church; and

Whereas, this virtuous Proverbs 31 woman was a mother, a wife, a daughter, a friend, a warrior, a matriarch, and a woman of great integrity; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to bestow a Congressional recognition on Dr. Marie Pullin for her leadership, friendship and 50 years of service to all of the citizens in Georgia and throughout the Nation; now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr., do hereby attest to the 114th Congress that Dr. Marie Pullin of DeKalb County, Georgia is deemed worthy and deserving of this "Congressional Honor" Dr. Marie Pullin, U.S. Citizen of Distinction in the 4th Congressional District of Georgia.

Proclaimed, this 14th day of March, 2015.

IN RECOGNITION OF RUTH HYMAN

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ms. Ruth Hyman as she is honored by the Visiting Nurse Association Health Group at their Ruth Hyman Spiritual Support in the Jewish Tradition Hospice Program Tree of Life Donor Wall Dedication.

A lifelong resident of Long Branch, New Jersey, Ruth Hyman continues her philanthropic endeavors to improve the well-being of New Jersey's residents. As the recipient of a generous donation by Ms. Hyman, the Visiting Nurse Association Health Group has named its hospice program's special services for Judaic pastoral care in her honor. The Ruth Hyman Spiritual Support in the Jewish Tradition program will continue to provide important spiritual and pastoral care and comfort to individuals and their families. The Visiting Nurse Association Health Group's mission to make the community a better place reflects Ms. Hyman's passion for helping others.

The largest non-profit visiting nurse association in New Jersey, the Visiting Nurse Association Health Group provides an invaluable service to our communities through compassionate home health care and support services. Its skilled health aides continue to meet the needs of over 120,000 individuals in the comfort and security of their homes each year.

Mr. Speaker, once again, please join me in thanking Ruth Hyman and the Visiting Nurse Association Health Group for their immeasurable contributions to our community.

IN RECOGNITION OF MONSIGNOR JOHN BENDIK, RECIPIENT OF THE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FROM THE GREATER PITTSBURGH FRIENDLY SONS OF SAINT PATRICK

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Monsignor John Bendik, who will receive the Achievement Award from the Greater Pittsburgh Friendly Sons of St. Patrick.

Monsignor Bendik was ordained on May 27, 1967, by Bishop J. Carroll McCormick, after studying at St. Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology in Indiana. His first assignment

was to St. Matthew's Parish in East Stroudsburg. He taught at Notre Dame High School and served as Director of Campus Ministry at East Stroudsburg University. In 1970, he was assigned full-time to serve the University students where he developed an ecumenical and inter-faith United Campus Ministry.

In 1981, Monsignor Bendik was assigned as Chaplain at Misericordia University in Dallas where he organized student, faculty, and staff programs to outreach to the needy. His first assignment as a pastor was in 1986 at the parish of Our Lady of the Snows in Clarks Summit. Today, Monsignor Bendik is the pastor of St. John the Evangelist in Pittston.

In addition to serving as the current pastor for St. John's, Monsignor Bendik is also on a variety of boards within the community. He is the Dean for the priests and deacons of Northern Luzerne County. Monsignor Bendik and his parishioners also operate Care and Concern Ministries. Care and Concern provides the Greater Pittston Area with a free health clinic and a food pantry.

It is an honor to recognize Monsignor Bendik for his many accomplishments. I commend him for his service to our local communities throughout his career. I offer my deepest congratulation on receiving the Achievement Award from the Greater Pittston Friendly Sons of St. Patrick.

A TRIBUTE TO MINDY BOCKEWITZ

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Mindy Bockewitz for being named a 2015 Forty Under 40 honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, Business Record.

Since 2000, Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of young leaders in the Greater Des Moines Area that are making an impact in their communities and their careers. Each year, forty up-and-coming community and business leaders under 40 years of age are selected for this prestigious honor based on a combined criteria of community involvement and success in their chosen career field. The 2015 class of Forty Under 40 honorees will join an impressive roster of 560 business leaders and growing.

As a member of the Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co., Mindy created a program underwriting team that has grown to more than \$17 million in premiums. She sits as co-chair for the Education Leadership Initiative and has initiated a volunteer project at Nationwide for the company to donate catering and cafeteria leftovers to food pantries. In all aspects of her life Mindy is an example of the hard work and service that makes our state proud.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Mindy in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud Mindy for utilizing her talents to better both her community and the great state of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Mindy on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing each member of the 2015 Forty Under 40 class a long and successful career.

TRIBUTE TO MR. SAMUEL BARBER

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation:

Whereas, our lives have been touched by the life of this one man, Samuel Barber, Jr., who has given so much to our state and nation; and

Whereas, Samuel Barber has been instrumental as a pioneer in the information technology industry with his talents, his high standards and innovating mind; and

Whereas, this giant of a man accomplished so much during his lifetime; he served our country honorably in the U.S. Navy for eleven years and was honored with the National Defense Service Medal; he was a successful entrepreneur with multiple businesses and he was recognized as Honorary Consul General for the Embassy of Ghana; and

Whereas, he was a strong community advocate, a motivator, a mentor, and a friend to all; he was dedicated to God, his church, his family and his community; and

Whereas, Samuel Barber was a husband, a father and a grandfather; he was our warrior, our patriarch, a man of great integrity who remained true to his childhood nurturing by his maternal grandparents in Alabama; and

Whereas, Samuel Barber was an ambassador of goodwill who will be truly missed; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia recognizes Samuel Barber as a citizen of great worth and so noted distinction; now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr. do hereby attest to the 114th Congress that he is deemed worthy and deserving of this Congressional Honor by declaring Mr. Samuel Barber, Jr. U.S. Citizen of Distinction in the 4th Congressional District of Georgia.

Proclaimed, this 6th day of March, 2015.

A TRIBUTE TO LYNDIA RESCIA— 28TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT WOMAN OF THE YEAR

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Women's History Month. Each year, we pay special tribute to the contributions and sacrifices made by our nation's women. It is an honor to pay homage to outstanding women who are making a difference in my congressional district. I would like to recognize a remarkable woman, Lynda Rescia of Silver Lake, a unique neighborhood in Los Angeles, California.

Lynda Rescia was born in Ludlow, Massachusetts, and attended Ludlow High School. She went on to study Communications with a specialization in Film at Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan. When Lynda moved to Los Angeles, California, she worked for a few years in the film industry in editing, and then for a commercial house working on television commercials.

In 1984, Lynda married Michael Miller, who is a freelance photographer, and had a son, Byron, in 1986. Ms. Rescia continued to work freelance on commercials until the birth of her daughter, Haviland, in 1988. Soon after, Lynda went back to school part time to complete a degree in Child Development, and graduated magna cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts and received her teaching credential in 1994.

Ms. Rescia has been passionate about education for many years. She worked in the Pasadena Unified School District and did substitute work for the Los Angeles Unified School District, before she was hired by Ivanhoe Elementary School as a kindergarten teacher in 1995. Since then, she has remained at Ivanhoe Elementary School spending most of her years as a primary teacher, then as a coach/coordinator, and currently as Principal. Under her leadership, the school, which is well-known for its high level of parent involvement, was honored as a "California Distinguished School" in 2014, and has maintained its glorious reputation for academic excellence. In addition to dedicating herself to Ivanhoe Elementary School, Lynda has volunteered with The Great Los Angeles River CleanUp.

I ask all Members to join me in honoring an exceptional woman of California's 28th Congressional District, Lynda Rescia.

TRIBUTE TO NUVISION FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

HON. MIMI WALTERS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mrs. MIMI WALTERS of California. Mr. Speaker, today I wish to recognize NuVision Federal Credit Union, a financial institution based in Orange County, California, for 80 years of outstanding service to their members and for their organization's philanthropic support of the communities in which they operate. I would also like to recognize Roger Ballard, who has provided exemplary leadership as

Chief Executive Officer of NuVision Federal Credit Union since 2004.

NuVision Federal Credit Union is one of Southern California's leading credit unions with over \$1.3 billion in assets and 87,000 members. Headquartered in Huntington Beach, California, NuVision Federal Credit Union was founded in 1935 to serve employees of Douglas Aircraft Company. Additions to the NuVision family have resulted in a diverse group of sponsor companies in their field of membership in industries including aerospace, utilities, municipal, retail, automotive, housing, engineering, and healthcare. NuVision continues to serve aerospace employees from Boeing, employees of Sempra Energy/The Gas Company, and employees of Tesoro.

NuVision Federal Credit Union has been very active in giving back to the communities they serve. In fact, NuVision Federal Credit Union employees and members have donated over \$75,000 since 2010 to support the Children's Hospitals of Orange County and Los Angeles, and the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. The credit union also participates in numerous philanthropic activities every year such as adopting military families for the holidays, sponsoring toy drives in their branches for Toys for Tots, providing backpacks and school supplies for underprivileged children, and raising money for the victims of natural disasters.

As a not-for-profit financial cooperative, NuVision remains proudly owned by the members it serves. Mr. Speaker, I congratulate the members and employees of NuVision Federal Credit Union for their strong history of success in the community, and I wish them the best in their future endeavors.

A TRIBUTE TO JARAD BERNSTEIN

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Jarad Bernstein for being named a 2015 Forty Under 40 honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, Business Record.

Since 2000, Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of young leaders in the Greater Des Moines Area that are making an impact in their communities and their careers. Each year, forty up-and-coming community and business leaders under 40 years of age are selected for this prestigious honor based on a combined criteria of community involvement and success in their chosen career field. The 2015 class of Forty Under 40 honorees will join an impressive roster of 560 business leaders and growing.

Jarad is the Director of Public Relations and Media Management at Drake University. Jarad previously worked in San Francisco in various public relations positions, however he found the community was not as enriching as he would have liked. He visited Des Moines, Iowa, and was welcomed by the Midwestern charm and the community involvement that he had been missing in San Francisco. Not to mention his future wife, Lilliana, was in the area as well. Since arriving, Jarad's community service has flourished. He now serves as

the chairman for the Jewish Community Relations Commission, and has served as treasurer of the Central Iowa chapter of the Public Relations Society of America.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Jarad in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud Jarad for utilizing his talents to better both his community and the great state of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Jarad on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing each member of the 2015 Forty Under 40 class a long and successful career.

RECOGNIZING FATHER HAROLD RAHM

HON. BETO O'ROURKE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. O'ROURKE. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to rise today to recognize Jesuit Father Harold Rahm, whom holds a commendable record of service to the El Paso community.

Father Rahm arrived in El Paso, Texas in July 1952 and served at Sacred Heart Parish until 1964. He was often seen traveling around the streets of South El Paso on his bicycle and was named, "the Bicycle Padre." Father Rahm used this modest technique to reach out to the youth of the Segundo Barrio in efforts to deter them from joining youth gangs.

During his fourteen years in El Paso, Father Rahm established organizations such as Our Lady's Youth Center, the Guadalupe Employment Office, the Guadalupe Way of Life Homes for young people and adults, and Camp Juan Diego for children who could not afford to go to summer camp. Father Rahm played an instrumental role in pacifying youth gang warfare in the 1950's by encouraging teens to spend their time in the youth center and resolving their violence through safe interaction and exercise.

Father Rahm also established the Guadalupe Employment Office in 1953, the Guadalupe Thrift Store in 1954, the Tepeyac Credit Union, and advocated for decent housing for South El Paso residents.

In trying to reach people that were unable to attend mass, Father Rahm would often celebrate mass in people's backyards and take breakfast to the elderly on his bicycle. Because of his devout actions, 5th Avenue was renamed Father Rahm Avenue in his honor. Father Rahm's legacy lives on through inspired El Pasoans that have carried on his work.

I thank Father Rahm for being an honorable man of God to our community and to the world through his notable service. Father Rahm represents the ambition, dedication, perseverance and resilience that is so indicative of the many great El Pasoans I have the distinct privilege to represent.

IN RECOGNITION OF MR.
NICHOLAS J. IVANS

HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Speaker, I along with Mr. COSTA rise today to honor the life and accomplishments of Nicholas J. Ivans, who passed away on February 15, 2015.

Mr. Ivans was born in Hanford, California on February 17, 1924 to Peter Ivancovich and Danitza Ninkovich, immigrants from Boznia-Herzegovina. He attended Hanford High and Visalia Junior College before he was drafted into the United States Armed Services during World War II. Mr. Ivans was a member of the H Company, 101st Regiment of the 26th Yankee Division and saw combat duty in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, Austria, and Czechoslovakia.

After the war, Mr. Ivans returned to the United States and attended California State University, Fresno for his undergraduate degree and the University of Southern California's (USC) Pharmacy School for his graduate degree. While at USC, Mr. Ivans met Edna Logan. The two married in 1949 and would have three of their own children and five foster children.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivans returned to the Central Valley after they received their Doctor of Pharmacy degrees. Not long after their return, Mr. Ivans purchased Tomer Drug Store in Avenal, California, launching his career as Avenal's community pharmacist.

Throughout his life, Mr. Ivans was a dedicated member of his community. He was involved in the Avenal Rotary Club and the Avenal Chamber of Commerce, where he served multiple terms as President. He was responsible for several improvements and additions to Avenal, including house to house mail delivery in unincorporated communities, a lighting district in an area with no street lights, and a state prison.

Mr. Ivans passed away just two days short of his 91st birthday on February 15, 2015. He touched the lives of many and will be dearly missed by his family, friends, and community.

Mr. Speaker, we ask our colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join us in commemorating the life of Nicholas J. Ivans.

TRIBUTE TO MS. XERNONA CLAYTON

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation:

Whereas, many years ago a virtuous woman of God accepted her calling to serve the citizens across our nation and the international community; and

Whereas, Ms. Xernona Clayton began her career in service working diligently to assist in the Civil Rights Movement alongside Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., she has served as the first Southern African American to host a daily prime time talk show, "The Xernona Clayton

Show"; she served as the Corporate Vice President for Urban Affairs at Turner Broadcasting; she is the President and CEO of the Trumpet Awards Foundation wherein she is the Creator and Executive Producer of the Trumpet Awards honoring individuals that give of themselves to make the world better; Ms. Clayton continues to assist individuals and families across the world through education and service; and

Whereas, this phenomenal Proverbs 31 woman has shared her time and talents, giving the citizens of our district a friend to help those in need, a fearless leader and a servant to all wanting to ensure that the system works for everyone; and

Whereas, Ms. Xernona Clayton is a cornerstone in our community that has enhanced the lives of thousands for the betterment of our district and nation; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to honor and recognize Ms. Xernona Clayton for her outstanding leadership and service to our district and to congratulate her for an exemplary life of leadership and service to all; now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr. do hereby proclaim March 14, 2015 as Ms. Xernona Clayton Day in the 4th Congressional District of Georgia.

Proclaimed, this 14th day of March, 2015.

NO SUCH THING AS AN HONOR KILLING

HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, right now, this very moment, a woman in Pakistan is hiding from her husband in a squat brick house.

She is covered from head to toe, only showing her eyes.

She lives in constant fear, every second of the day.

Why is she hiding?

Because her husband is trying to kill her.

An honor killing, it is deemed.

And sadly she is not alone.

Honor killings in Pakistan are a common practice.

When it is believed a woman has brought dishonor to her family or gone against their will, she is murdered.

But there is nothing honorable in hacking, beating or stoning a woman—a wife, a mother, a sister—to death.

The existing laws do not protect women from this unthinkable crime, because the idea is supported by the local community.

No woman should have to live in constant fear of the man she married, because Mr. Speaker, there is no such thing as an honor killing.

And that's just the way it is.

A TRIBUTE TO KATHERINE BARTON

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Katherine

Barton for being named a 2015 Forty Under 40 honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, *Business Record*.

Since 2000, *Business Record* has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of young leaders in the Greater Des Moines Area that are making an impact in their communities and their careers. Each year, forty up-and-coming community and business leaders under 40 years of age are selected for this prestigious honor based on a combined criteria of community involvement and success in their chosen career field. The 2015 class of Forty Under 40 honorees will join an impressive roster of 560 business leaders and growing.

I would like to start by extending my gratitude to Katherine for her tour in Iraq and her service in the Iowa National Guard. Her leadership and selflessness to her country have continued in Iowa, with a focus on veterans. With her support, Iowa Workforce Development, the Iowa Economic Development Authority, the Iowa National Guard and other state organizations worked out the framework of the Home Base Iowa program, which helps veterans find jobs in Iowa.

Katherine also impacts state policy as the Iowa National Guard's government relations officer, which occasionally brings her to the halls of Congress. Katherine's commitment to service, community and country is a prime example of service and Iowa work ethic that makes our state deeply proud.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Katherine in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud Katherine for utilizing her talents to better both her community and the great state of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Katherine on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at *Business Record* for their great work, and wishing each member of the 2015 Forty Under 40 class a long and successful career.

RECOGNIZING KENSINGTON VIDEO

HON. SUSAN A. DAVIS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mrs. DAVIS of California. Mr. Speaker, on February 28, 2015, a San Diego institution closed its doors. After more than 30 years in business the curtain came down on Kensington Video.

Kensington Video premiered in 1984 with Winnie and Rich Hanford and their children, Guy and Pam, rolling out the red carpet for its customers.

Since then, their video library has grown to an astounding 70,000 titles—perhaps one of the largest in the country.

Among the stacks of VHS, Beta, and DVDs, you could find not only the latest blockbusters but also that rare, special-interest film or foreign-language movie.

Amazingly, they never computerized. They just knew where every film title was, like seasoned shopkeepers familiar with their stock.

If the movie you wanted was not in their library, they would track it down for you.

It was that commitment to film and their customers that had people coming from miles away to Kensington Video.

Like a classic black and white movie, Kensington Video had the feel of a classic American small business. Customers came for the people behind the counter as much as they came for the films on the shelf.

They came to rent a movie and also get the latest news and gossip of what was happening in the neighborhood.

I was a proud member of Kensington Video and just as proud of my low membership number—74.

In 1948, mystery writer Raymond Chandler, who was also a Hollywood screenwriter, wrote: "Not only is the motion picture an art, but it is the one entirely new art that has been evolved on this planet for hundreds of years."

Kensington Video was the curator of that art for San Diego.

I hope the House of Representatives will join me in recognizing and thanking Kensington Video for years of service to the neighborhood of Kensington and city of San Diego.

TRIBUTE TO MR. HUGH R. WILLIAMS

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation:

Whereas, our lives have been touched by the life of this one man . . . who has given of himself in order for others to stand; and

Whereas, U.S. Air Force retired TSG. Hugh R. Williams III served our nation with honor and valor during his tours in Vietnam, Korea, Guam and Germany; and

Whereas, Mr. Williams never asked for fame or fortune, nor found a job too small or too big; but gave of himself, his time, his talent and his life to uplift those in need by demonstrating unwavering commitment to protecting and serving the citizens of the United States of America; and

Whereas, he was a husband, a father, a son and a friend; he was also our warrior, a man of great integrity who remained true to the uplifting and service to our nation; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia recognizes Mr. Hugh R. Williams as a citizen of great worth and so noted distinction; now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr. do hereby attest to the 114th Congress that Mr. Hugh R. Williams is deemed worthy and deserving of this "Congressional Honor" by declaring Mr. Hugh R. Williams III, U.S. Citizen of Distinction in the 4th Congressional District of Georgia.

Proclaimed, this 2nd day of February, 2015.

IN RECOGNITION OF KATHLEEN CRAMPSIE FOR RECEIVING THE 2015 PVIAA SHAMROCK AWARD

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Kathleen Crampsie. On March 17, 2015, Kathy will receive the Shamrock

Award during the Panther Valley Irish American Association's 67th Annual Banquet. Kathy is a well-known musician throughout the Panther Valley. She uses her musical talent to bring joy to the people whether it is at church services, nursing homes, or public events. She also is a mentor of young men and women aspiring to musical careers.

Kathy began her music career, in 1977 when she volunteered her time to play guitar at her parish church, St. Joseph Catholic in Summit Hill. After joining, Kathy started the church's guitar group, which became known as "Kathy's Angels." Mrs. Crampsie became an active and leading participant in the St. Joseph Catholic Church choir and its music program. She also started a children's choir that has performed at area nursing homes around the holidays. The children's choir even had the opportunity to sing the national anthem at a Philadelphia Phillies game.

Kathy's service to the community does not stop at music. She volunteers as a CCD for the Catholic community of the Panther Valley. As the secretary of the Summit Hill Lions Club, Kathy coordinates the organization's eye glass program. In the past, she has coached cheerleading at Panther Valley High School, Our Lady of the Valley School, and for the Summit Hill Knee Hi Association. Kathy also coached girls softball for Summit Hill and volleyball for Our Lady of the Valley.

Kathy has been married to Bob Crampsie for four decades, and the couple has raised four children and been blessed with eight grandchildren.

I congratulate Mrs. Crampsie on receiving the Panther Valley Irish American Association's Shamrock Award, and I commend her for all the selfless work she has done for her community.

IN HONOR OF THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SELMA TO MONTGOMERY MARCH ON THE STEPS OF THE ALABAMA STATE CAPITOL, MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

HON. STENY H. HOYER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following:

REMARKS BY PEGGY WALLACE KENNEDY

Montgomery, Alabama, a city that bears the scars of struggle and the nobility of change. A city that sits on the soil of shared sorrows for those that suffered and died for equality. A place of repose. Monuments of stone that connect us to each other. A place of hope and promise. A place to lay our grief down and shoulder the burden of moving beyond the sunset of despair to the place we call home.

All of us come to this moment and to this place on the road of our own life's personal journey. We are diverse, both in our experiences and our aspirations and our dreams. But we are united in the common belief that a vision for a Just America is worth the saving.

Stepping away from a painful past has not always been easy, but it has always been right. None of us can be held responsible for the circumstances of our birth, but each one of us will be held responsible for who we have become.

When my son Burns was young, my husband and I took him to the Martin Luther King Historic Site in Atlanta. As we moved through the exhibits we came across the photographs of fire hoses in Birmingham, the 16th Street Baptist Church, Governor Wallace standing in the Schoolhouse Door and the Edmund Pettus Bridge.

Burns stood still as the truth of his family's past washed over him. He turned to me and asked, 'Why did Paw Paw' do those things to other people? I realized that at that moment I was at a crossroad in my life and the life of my son. The mantle had passed, and it was now up to me to do for Burns what my father never did for me. It was the first step in my journey of building a legacy of my own. I knelt down beside my son, drew him close and said, 'Paw Paw never told me why he did those things, but I know that he was wrong. So maybe it will just have to be up to me and you to help make things right.'

Standing here before you today is yet another day for the fulfillment of the promise that I made to my son. For today and for all the tomorrows to come there are opportunities for all of us to raise the call for justice in our lifetime.

Montgomery, Alabama, Dexter Avenue and the State Capitol are enshrined in the annals of American history. A historic place for historic times. But for me, it is much more personal, for it brings to mind the events that shaped my life.

It was here that I attended four inaugurations of my father and one of my mother.

It was here that I heard my father say the words "segregation now, segregation tomorrow and segregation forever."

It was here that my father fought to support a culture of exclusion, riding on the wings of fear rather than seeking justice on the wings of eagles.

It was here that my mother Governor Lurleen Wallace lay in state following her death at the age of 41 while thousands of Alabamians both white and African American stood in line for hours to pay their last respects.

It was here that my father met Vivian Malone for the second time and told her that she was an icon of the civil right movement.

It was at the Dexter Avenue King Memorial Church that my father went to ask for forgiveness for his racist past. A moment that could not rewrite his personal history but an opportunity brought about by my father's own suffering that allowed him to see the hurt of history in the eyes of African American men and women who had been denied the right to live the American Dream.

But on March the 25th of 1965, as Ralph Abernathy, Juanita Abernathy, Martin Luther King and thousands more gathered in the shadow of this Capitol, there was never an opportunity to address their concerns or state their grievances to the one person who could have changed the course of American History then and there. For Governor Wallace watched through a window in the privacy of his office, while others persevered and changed the history of America without him.

Today, we must not allow others to make the right choices for us. We must have courage each day to stand up for equality and the rights of all Americans. We must lead by example and live our lives with inspiration, always aspiring to make the choices that lead us to higher ground, that guides us to understanding and purpose of not just who we are but who we can become. An opportunity for each of you, an obligation for all of us, to see others, feel others and celebrate others, respecting their humanity for who they are.

Working each day to inspire the nobility that lies in the heart of each of us, Martin

Luther King taught that there is power in all of us to reach out, to support and stand firm in the belief that all of our lives count for something. There is no better time than now for Americans to hold hands, rather than holding down, the inherent rights of the common man.

One can never measure the true worth of a mended heart that beats again because someone cared. How many more anniversaries of the struggle for civil rights can we celebrate by looking over our shoulder rather than standing shoulder to shoulder to face the challenges that lay ahead? How can Americans reach for higher ground if we do not inspire others with what we do? We cannot expect the next generation of Americans to do something to change the world, if we aspire to do nothing to protect liberty and recognize our individual obligations to service.

How can we teach future generations about positive social change if we see injustice and turn our backs? For injustice knows no death. It rises like a dark mist on the horizon, laying low in the hearts of those that are unwilling to accept the notion of unconditional love.

We must promise that when we say all men are created equal, it means something, protects something and encourages us to embrace the belief that the diversity among us has nothing to do with equality, but has everything to do with strength. Tolerance must be more than what we believe, it must be what we live and leading by example is what we must do. Tolerance does not always mean agreement, but tolerance always requires understanding and compassion for others.

Very few of us will have monuments built to honor us after we are gone, but ALL OF US can do monumental things each day to help America be better. Those moments in Selma yesterday will stand as a testament to all of our lives. For there is power in moving forward, there is joy in an unburdened heart and there is strength in stepping away from beneath the shadows of your lives.

I sometimes wonder what my mother and father would think of their daughter that stands here today, and my mind's eye returns to a wood framed house on Eufaula Street in Clayton, Alabama, when life was uncomplicated and happiness was something you lived not something you just hoped for. And my father would smile at me and say "little girl, you're doing just fine, I sure am proud of you."

But for today, I am most thankful for the life and inspiration of Congressman John Lewis.

Congressman Lewis, in March of 2009 you held my hand and walked with me across the Edmund Pettus Bridge; the very bridge where, as a young man, you were beaten by Alabama State Troopers. That walk with you helped me understand the power of forgiveness and gave me the courage to speak with my own voice. Since that time I have looked for an opportunity to return, in some small measure, the gift of love and understanding you gave to me.

Fifty years ago, you stood here in front of your State Capitol and sought an opportunity as a citizen of Alabama to be recognized and heard by your Governor and he refused. But today, as his daughter and as a person of my own, I want to do for you what my father should have done and recognize you for your humanity and for your dignity as a child of God, as a person of goodwill and character and as a fellow Alabamian and say "Welcome Home."

TRIBUTE TO MS. DORIS WELLS

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation:

Whereas, Ms. Doris Wells' service to DeKalb County can be seen in the programs instituted in the Public Library System in our district; and

Whereas, her dedicated service touched the lives of many in our district from the moment she was hired as the first African American employee for the DeKalb County Library System in 1974, she has innovated the service of the Wesley Chapel-William C. Brown Library by introducing programs such as the Kwanzaa Awareness Festival and the Jubilee of Reading Adult Book Club Conference; and

Whereas, this remarkable, positive woman gave of herself, her time and her talent; educating and assisting those in need; and

Whereas, she led by example as the manager of the Scott Candler Library and the Wesley Chapel-William C. Brown Library; she was dedicated to her family, community, her church Clifton United Methodist Church and her beloved Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.; and

Whereas, this virtuous Proverbs 31 woman was a mother, a daughter, a friend, a warrior, a matriarch, and a woman of great integrity; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to bestow a Congressional recognition on Ms. Doris Wells for her leadership, friendship and service to all of the citizens in Georgia and throughout the Nation; now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr., do hereby attest to the 114th Congress that Ms. Doris Wells of DeKalb County, Georgia is deemed worthy and deserving of this "Congressional Honor": Ms. Doris Wells, U.S. Citizen of Distinction in the 4th Congressional District of Georgia.

Proclaimed, this 4th day of March, 2015.

A TRIBUTE TO NICK ACKERMAN

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Nick Ackerman for being named a 2015 Forty Under 40 honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, Business Record.

Since 2000, Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of young leaders in the Greater Des Moines Area that are making an impact in their communities and their careers. Each year, forty up-and-coming community and business leaders under 40 years of age are selected for this prestigious honor based on a combined criteria of community involvement and success in their chosen career field. The 2015 class of Forty Under 40 honorees will join an impressive roster of 560 business leaders and growing.

Nick has the determination and drive to be successful in all that he does. At the American

Prosthetics & Orthotics Inc., Nick works as a technician, where he is passionate in providing prosthetic limbs for those in need. Nick's commitment to his work is evident in his philanthropic activities. As a member of the Amputee Golf Association he assists annually in a golf event to raise money for charity. Nick also organizes a Wounded Warrior softball game for veterans of our military. In all aspects of his life, Nick gives his full effort, it is that effort and dedication that makes our state proud.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Nick in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud him for utilizing his talents to better both his community and the great state of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Nick on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing each member of the 2015 Forty Under 40 class a long and successful career.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MICHAEL R. TURNER

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. TURNER. Mr. Speaker, on February 27, 2015, I was unable to vote on roll call votes 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, and 105. Had I been present I would have voted "yea" on Ordering the Previous Question for H. Res. 129, "yea" on H. Res. 129, "yea" on the Motion to Request a Conference on H.R. 240, "nay" on Approving the Journal, "yea" on H.J. Res. 35, and "nay" on a Motion to Instruct Conferees on H.R. 240.

Mr. Speaker, on March 16, 2015, I was unable to vote on roll call votes 113, 114, and 115. Had I been present I would have voted "yea" on H.R. 647, "yea" on H.R. 648, and "yea" on H.R. 876.

IN RECOGNITION OF MS. NANCY MCDARMENT

HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Nancy McDarment on her retirement after 40 years of working for the Tule River Tribe and its members.

Ms. McDarment was born on March 2, 1947 to Joe Vera and Bonnie Kambick. She has been married to her husband, Willie McDarment, for over thirty years and is blessed with four children, eight grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Around 1968, Ms. McDarment began her service to the Tule River Tribe in a position with the Tule River Indian Health Center. In September 1974, she went on to work for the Tule River Tribal Council, where she would spend the rest of her career in a variety of different positions. She began as a secretary for the Tule River Tribe, before going on to serve as the Contract and Grant Manager for many years with intermittent terms as both the Secretary of the Tule River Tribal Council and the Acting Tribal Administrator.

After a final two year term as Secretary of the Council and forty years of service to the Tule River Tribe, Ms. McDarment is retiring.

The Tule River Tribe has been extremely fortunate to have had someone as talented and dedicated as Ms. McDarment working on their behalf.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in commending Nancy McDarment for her 40 years of dedicated service to the Tule River Tribe and congratulating her on her retirement.

LOUISIANA NATIONAL GUARDSMEN REMEMBERED

HON. GARRET GRAVES

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remember the lives and service of eleven Guardsmen and Marines who were lost to us on March 10, 2015, when their UH-60M Black Hawk helicopter crashed off the coast of Florida during a training exercise.

The lives of these brave service personnel, who perished while serving our country, are remembered by my colleagues Congressman WALTER JONES of North Carolina and the North Carolina delegation, the state which is home to those Marines who trained at Camp Lejeune, and Congressman JEFF MILLER of Florida and the Florida delegation, the location of the sad incident.

I am joined by the Louisiana delegation on the House floor today to share with our colleagues the memory of our Louisiana Guardsmen, to stand silently in a moment of prayer, and to state for the record the poignant words of Louisiana Adjutant General, Major General Glenn Curtis, who eloquently memorialized the honorable service of our Louisiana Guardsmen in his March 16, 2015, statement, which is submitted for the RECORD herein:

Four Louisiana National Guardsmen from the 1st Assault Helicopter Battalion, 244th Aviation Regiment who died in a training accident, March 10, have been identified.

Chief Warrant Officer 4 George Wayne Griffin Jr, 37; Chief Warrant Officer 4 George David Strother, 44; Staff Sgt. Lance Bergeron, 40; and Staff Sgt. Thomas Florich, 26; died when a UH-60M Black Hawk they were riding on crashed into the Santa Rosa Sound, Florida.

"These Guardsmen represent the best of us," said Maj. Gen. Glenn H. Curtis, the adjutant general of the Louisiana National Guard. "These are brave men, true men. These Heroes' names will forever be etched on our hearts and in our minds."

Griffin, of Delhi, joined the Louisiana National Guard in 1994. He deployed to Iraq in 2004-2005 and again in 2008-2009. He also served during state deployments during Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Isaac as well as in support of Operations River Guardian and Deepwater Horizon.

Griffin commissioned as a warrant officer in 1999 before going on to become the battalion standardization pilot with over 6,000 flight hours, including more than 1,000 combat hours.

"G Wayne Griffin was born to be an Army Aviator," said Chief Warrant Officer 5 Reggie Lane, commander of Detachment 38, Operational Support Airlift Command. "As one of

the most talented and respected Warrant Officers in the Louisiana National Guard, he had a tremendous passion for flying, and a God-given natural ability to fly both helicopters and airplanes and to teach others to be the best aviators and crewmembers that they could be.

"He was a great friend and brother to all. With his loss, there will be a void that may never be filled."

Griffin is survived by his wife, four children and father.

Strother, of Alexandria, served in the Louisiana National Guard from 1988-2007, and again from 2009 until his death. He deployed to Iraq in 2004-2005, Afghanistan in 2011 and Kosovo in 2014. He also served during state deployments for Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Isaac.

Strother commissioned as a warrant officer in 1994 before going on to become an instructor pilot with over 2,400 flight hours, including more than 700 combat hours.

"To describe Dave Strother as a big personality would not be accurate. He was more like a force of nature that could best be observed and marveled at, never opposed or altered," said Maj. Andre Jeanson, commander, F Co., 2nd Battalion, 135th Aviation Regiment. "His huge heart touched the lives of all he met."

Strother is survived by his wife, son and step-daughter, and mother.

Bergeron, of Thibodaux, enlisted into the U.S. Marine Corps in 1998 before joining the LANG in 2001 as a Black Hawk repairer. His extensive experience as a qualified enlisted flight instructor, graduate of the aircraft crewmember standardization instructor course, aircraft maintainer course, and warrior leader course made Bergeron a crew chief others aspired to be, according to members of his unit.

The combat veteran deployed to Iraq twice, in 2004-2005 and 2008-2009. Bergeron also served during state deployments for Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, Isaac and Operation River Guardian.

According to Sgt. 1st Class Brian Marquez, platoon sergeant, A Co., 1-244th AHB, Bergeron was one of the most qualified crew chiefs in the Guard, with more than 1,300 flight hours, including 377 combat hours.

"Lance was one of the most dedicated crew chiefs that I have ever had the pleasure of serving with during my leadership," Marquez said. "As the senior most standardization crew chief instructor in the Battalion, he was a subject matter expert in his job who exhibited an excitement of learning new skills and educating new unit members on the UH-60 aircraft, pilots and crew chiefs alike."

"Lance was a very family oriented father and husband, and he impacted many in the ranks. He will be greatly missed."

Bergeron is survived by his wife, two children and his parents.

Staff Sgt. Thomas Florich, of Fairfax County, Virginia, enlisted in the LANG in 2007 as a Black Hawk repairer. He was posthumously promoted from sergeant to staff sergeant.

Florich served during state deployments for Operation Deepwater Horizon and Hurricane Isaac. He earned more than 125 flight hours and was a graduate of the warrior leader course.

"Tom was full of life, and his personality could light the room," said Marquez. "He was 'family' with unit members and felt at home working with his brothers in Alpha Company. His dedication to duty and loyalty was without equal, always ready to accept any mission and extra duty in order to help the unit meet the mission. He will be greatly missed by the unit and the flight facility."

Florich is survived by his wife, father and stepmother.

"These are not ordinary men. They were extraordinary people, as well as amazing aviators and crew chiefs," said Lt. Col. John L. Bonnette II, commander of the 1-244th. When I say they were heroes, I mean it many times over. They risked their lives under difficult conditions flying in combat, and during national emergencies, to ensure our security and help save thousands of people. I don't have the words to sum up their lives in a few sentences. You just can't.

"Our whole aviation family is reeling from this loss, the hole that is left is enormous. They were part of the fabric of this unit, the difference they made with everyone they served with will be a lasting legacy. Personally flying with all of them was a privilege and honor—I am a better person for having known them."

These aviators had a camaraderie that was second to none in the military.

"This crew was made up of larger-than-life men who had a passion for Army Aviation that was so evident in the dedication that they had towards their profession," said Col. Patrick R. Bossetta, commander of the State Aviation Command. I know this as I have personally flown with each one of them. They were driven by their intense desire to selflessly serve their country, fellow Soldiers and Marines.

"Whether flying in combat or during national emergencies, this crew arose everyday with a fever to serve and keep safe the citizens of this great Nation. While their families and our aviation community are heartbroken and immensely suffering over their tragic loss, these heroic men would want us to catch their fever to honorably serve the citizens of this Nation and continue to grow."

"These brave men died doing something they loved. May we all be so lucky, and may they always fly high," said Curtis.

The Louisiana Army National Guard was participating in a routine night-time training exercise with the Marine 2nd Special Operations Battalion. The Black Hawk carrying the four aircrew and seven Marines crashed into the Santa Rosa Sound in Navarre, Florida, March 10.

Griffin's awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal (2nd Award), Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (6th Award), National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Service Star, Iraq Campaign Medal with two Campaign Stars, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal (2nd Award), Armed Forces Reserve Medal with Silver Hour Glass and M Device, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (2nd Award), Army Reserve Component Overseas Training Ribbon (4th Award), Louisiana War Cross (2nd Award), Louisiana Emergency Service Medal (3rd Award), Louisiana General Excellence Ribbon and Louisiana Longevity Ribbon. He had earned the Combat Action Badge, Senior Army Aviator Badge and Basic Aviation Badge.

Strother's awards and decorations include the Air Medal (3rd Award), Army Commendation Medal (3rd Award), Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal (7th Award), National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Service Star, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Campaign Star, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with Silver Hourglass and M Device, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (3rd Award), NATO Medal, Louisiana War Cross (3rd Award),

Louisiana Cold War Victory Ribbon, Louisiana Emergency Service Medal (3rd Award), Louisiana General Excellence Ribbon and Louisiana Longevity Ribbon (4th Award). He had earned the Combat Action Badge and Master Aviator Badge.

Bergeron's awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal, Army Commendation Medal (3rd Award), Army Good Conduct Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (3rd Award), National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Service Star, Iraq Campaign Medal with 2 Campaign Stars, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal (2nd Award), Armed Forces Reserve Medal with Bronze Hour Glass and M Device, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (2nd Award), Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon (Navy), Louisiana War Cross (2nd Award), Louisiana Emergency Service Medal (3rd Award), Louisiana General Excellence Ribbon (3rd Award) and Louisiana Longevity Ribbon (2nd Award). He had also earned the Combat Action Badge and Senior Aviation Badge.

Florich's awards include the Army Achievement Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (2nd Award), National Defense Service Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon, Coast Guard Special Operations Service Ribbon, Louisiana Emergency Service Ribbon (2nd Award), Louisiana General Excellence Ribbon and Louisiana Longevity Ribbon. He had also earned the Basic Aviation Badge.

TRIBUTE TO WHITE'S CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation:

Whereas, White's Chapel United Methodist Church has been and continues to be a beacon of light to our district for the past one hundred forty-five years; and

Whereas, Pastor Lillian Owens and the members of the White's Chapel United Methodist Church family today continues to uplift and inspire those in our district; and

Whereas, the White's Chapel United Methodist Church family has been and continues to be a place where citizens are touched spiritually, mentally and physically through outreach ministries and community partnership to aid in building up our district; and

Whereas, this remarkable and tenacious Church of God has given hope to the hopeless, fed the needy and empowered our community for the past one hundred forty-five (145) years, being organized in 1870 after Captain White donated two acres of land to a small group of former slaves in order for them to continue to worship together as a congregation; and

Whereas, White's Chapel has produced many spiritual warriors, people of compassion, people of great courage, fearless leaders and servants to all, but most of all visionaries who have shared not only with their Church, but with Rockdale County their passion to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to honor and recognize the White's Chapel United Methodist Church family for their leadership and service to our District on this the 145th Anniversary of their founding; now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr. do hereby proclaim March 1, 2015 as White's Chapel United Methodist Church Day in the 4th Congressional District of Georgia.

Proclaimed, this 1st day of March, 2015.

A TRIBUTE TO ANNETTE ADAMS

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Annette Adams for being named a 2015 Forty Under 40 honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, Business Record.

Since 2000, Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of young leaders in the Greater Des Moines Area that are making an impact in their communities and their careers. Each year, forty up-and-coming community and business leaders under 40 years of age are selected for this prestigious honor based on a combined criteria of community involvement and success in their chosen career field. The 2015 class of Forty Under 40 honorees will join an impressive roster of 560 business leaders and growing.

Annette Adams currently works for Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co., and she has certainly left her mark. She has founded Women Aiming for Success in 2012, to create a passion for women to aspire to leadership roles. She has served as a Greater Des Moines Partnership Diversity Council member, as well as, serving as a mentor for Nationwide's Emerging Leaders Program. Annette is a leader and an example of the hard work and service that makes our state proud.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Annette in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud Annette for utilizing her talents to better both her community and the great state of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Annette on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing each member of the 2015 Forty Under 40 class a long and successful career.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE OCEAN CHAPTER OF DRIFTERS, INC.

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize the Ocean Chapter of Drifters, Inc. as its members gather to commemorate its 40th anniversary at a luncheon on March 14, 2015. This milestone and its commitment to service is truly deserving of this body's recognition.

Sponsored by the Montclair Chapter, the Ocean Chapter of Drifters, Inc. was founded by Marilyn Joyce of Morganville, New Jersey, who was also one of the eight charter members. Forty years later, there are thirteen members of the Ocean Chapter, including four of the charter members, Ms. Joyce, Marjorie Clark, Mary Inge and Yvonne Russell.

Since its inception, the Ocean Chapter of Drifters, Inc. has provided opportunities for women to engage in charitable and civic involvement to enrich the lives of others. In this endeavor, its members work closely with various agencies, organizations and individuals such as Meridian Health, the Special Olympics, Monmouth University and I.C.C.C. Monmouth County Head Start. The Ocean Chapter of Drifters, Inc. also aims to improve the well-being of seniors and promote opportunities for youth, through special programs and scholarships for graduating high school seniors.

Mr. Speaker, once again, please join me in congratulating the Ocean Chapter of Drifters, Inc. on its 40th anniversary and thanking its members for their dedication to volunteerism and community involvement.

RECOGNIZING RICHARD FISHER ON
HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE
FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF
DALLAS

HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with great pleasure to recognize Mr. Richard Fisher of Dallas, Texas.

Mr. Fisher has served as president and CEO of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas since 2005. He will be retiring this month after ten years of tireless service. During his tenure, Mr. Fisher aimed to create sensible solutions to the economic problems of Dallas residents.

Molded from humble beginnings, Richard Fisher is no stranger to hard work. He is a first generation American, who persevered to earn an economics degree from Harvard University and an MBA from Stanford University.

Throughout his career, Mr. Fisher has built quite an impressive resume. He began his career on Wall Street working at investment bank, Brown Brothers Harriman & Co in 1975. He specialized in fixed income and foreign exchange markets. From there, he went on to become an assistant to the secretary of Treasury during the Carter Administration. He later returned to Brown Brothers to found their Texas operations, which was based in the city of Dallas.

He later returned to public service as a trailblazer for expanded trade agreements. From 1997 to 2011, Richard Fisher served as deputy trade representative where he oversaw the implementation of NAFTA and various trade agreements of Vietnam, Korea, Japan, Chile and Singapore. He was a senior negotiator for the bilateral accords for China's and Taiwan's accession to the World Trade Organization.

More than forty years ago, Richard Fisher married the love of his life, Nancy Collins, the daughter of the late U.S. Congressman Jim Collins. They are the parents to three children. In the future, Mr. Fisher hopes to someday re-

enter the financial world in the hopes of spreading financial literacy throughout South Dallas.

Mr. Speaker, Richard Fisher is truly a phenomenal leader. A man fueled by dedication and committed to public service, Mr. Fisher has set the bar high for his successor. He is the 2006 recipient of the Service to Democracy Award and the Dwight D. Eisenhower Medal for Public Service from the American Assembly. He was inducted into the Dallas Business Hall of Fame in 2009 and received the Woodrow Wilson Award for Public Service in 2014. I stand today to honor Mr. Richard Fisher and to thank him for his work in service to the people of Dallas and to everyone within and beyond our borders who benefit from his economic vision and exemplary public service.

A TRIBUTE TO ASHLEY
DANIELSON

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Ashley Danielson for being named a 2015 Forty Under 40 honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, Business Record.

Since 2000, Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of young leaders in the Greater Des Moines Area that are making an impact in their communities and their careers. Each year, forty up-and-coming community and business leaders under 40 years of age are selected for this prestigious honour based on a combined criteria of community involvement and success in their chosen career field. The 2015 class of Forty Under 40 honorees will join an impressive roster of 560 business leaders and growing.

Ashley has the determination and drive to be successful in anything she does, and her exemplary work with the Trilix Marketing Group is a testament to that. As a project manager with Trilix, Ashley is passionate about going the extra mile for her clients. Ashley is active and passionate about serving organizations that help children and animals, and was also a member of this year's Greater Des Moines Leadership Institute class. In all aspects of her life, Ashley is an example of the hard work and service that makes our state proud.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Ashley in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud her for utilizing her talents to better both her community and the great state of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Ashley on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing each member of the 2015 Forty Under 40 class a long and successful career.

TRIBUTE TO REV. DR. GEORGE
MOORE

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation:

Whereas, our lives have been touched by the life of this one man, Rev. Dr. George W. Moore who has given so much of himself in order for others to stand; and

Whereas, his work is present across our nation for all to see; the retired pastor of Saint Philip AME Church in DeKalb County, Georgia, who was instrumental in spreading the gospel and enriching the lives of many in the Atlanta area and beyond; and

Whereas, this giant of a man accomplished so much during his time on earth; he was a Master Pastor, a business owner, a community advocate and a friend to all; and

Whereas, he gave of himself, his time, his talent and his life to uplift those in need never expecting fame or fortune; his calling was to be a motivator and to inspire others throughout the community by spreading the gospel and leading by example; and

Whereas, Rev. Dr. George W. Moore led by doing both behind the scenes and on the front lines; he was an ambassador of goodwill who will be truly missed; and

Whereas, Rev. Dr. George W. Moore was a husband, a father, a grandfather, and a friend; he was our warrior, our patriarch, a man of great integrity who remained true to his divine mission until his end; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia recognizes Rev. Dr. George W. Moore as a citizen of great worth and so noted distinction; now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr. do hereby attest to the 114th Congress that he is deemed worthy and deserving of this Congressional Honor by declaring Rev. Dr. George W. Moore, U.S. Citizen of Distinction in the 4th Congressional District of Georgia.

Proclaimed, this 13th day of February, 2015.

IN RECOGNITION OF THOMAS J.
REILLY, SR., THE GREATER
PITTSBURGH FRIENDLY SONS OF ST.
PATRICK MAN OF THE YEAR

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Thomas J. Reilly, Sr., who will be named Man of the Year by the Greater Pittston, Pennsylvania Friendly Sons of St. Patrick.

Mr. Reilly is chairman of Reilly Associates, an engineering firm that operates in Pennsylvania and New York. With more than 50 years of experience, Reilly has built a reputation as a leader in civil engineering. Early in his career, he worked on stabilizing large dams for the Pennsylvania Gas and Water Company. When Hurricane Agnes hit in 1972, Reilly worked to restore infrastructure and rebuild roads throughout Pennsylvania's Wyoming Valley.

In the 1980s and 1990s, Mr. Reilly replaced highway bridges, designed the six mile-long Casey Highway, and constructed a new wastewater treatment plant serving the Wyoming Valley that processes 50 million gallons of wastewater a day. Mr. Reilly's work in recent years includes a flood control system in the Keyser Valley and Green Ridge sections of Scranton; infrastructure for the Center Point Commerce and Trade Park; improved water quality through the separation of storm and sanitary sewer lines in West Pittston and Pittston; and plans for the revitalization of Pittston's Main Street.

Mr. Reilly is a parishioner of St. John the Evangelist and serves on the Church's finance council. He has volunteered his expertise on many of his parish's construction projects. He is also a member of the Knights of Columbus. Reilly previously served as the president of the Greater Pittston Chamber of Commerce and the Pittston Kiwanis Club, and as a trustee of his alma mater, Scranton Preparatory School.

It is a distinct privilege to honor Thomas Reilly on receiving the Greater Pittston Friendly Sons Man of the Year Award, and I commend him on his lifetime of public and community service.

U.S. MUST DO EVERYTHING TO CONTAIN RADICAL ISLAM

HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, it was a cold winter morning in Paris just before lunchtime. Two masked men armed with AK-47s approached a woman standing outside the door of the Charlie Hebdo office, forcing her to let them inside. Once inside the doors, they gunned down the security guard in the lobby and ran up to the second floor shouting, "Where is Charb? Where is Charb?" Charb was the nickname for the newspaper's editor, Mr. Charbonnier. After reaching their target, they executed him and 10 others. They exited the building shouting, "Allah Akbar" or "God is the Greatest."

They killed a police officer outside, fled the scene and continued to yell: "We have avenged the Prophet Muhammad!" before getting in their car and speeding away. Over the next two days, the French government conducted a massive manhunt for the two masked gunmen. The brothers were on the run for two days until January 9th when police cornered them in a standoff near the Paris' airport where they held one hostage. Later that day, police rescued the hostage and the terrorists were killed, going out just like they wanted in a massive firefight as "martyrs".

The two men responsible for the initial attack were Cherif and Said Kouachi, brothers with a long history of terrorist connections. A decade ago, Cherif and Said were involved in a Paris jihadi outfit that worked to send French Muslim men to Iraq to fight Americans.

Cherif tried to go to Iraq but never made it because French law enforcement arrested him before he could leave the country.

In his trial, Cherif said he dreamed of attacking Jewish targets in France before deciding to try to fight in Iraq. Having already spent

3 years in pre-trial detention, Cherif was released. While in detention, Cherif befriended Djamel Beghal, a French-Algerian champion of jihad who was jailed in 2001 for planning an attack on the American Embassy in Paris. Cherif was also connected to a 2010 plot to break out an Algerian Islamist from prison who was in jail for being connected with a 1995 wave of bombings in the Paris Métro and on regional trains.

Perhaps the most dangerous friend the Kouachi brothers made along the way was the late Anwar al-Awlaki—the American born leader of al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula. It has now been confirmed that Kouachi met with al-Awlaki in 2011 and that al-Awlaki financed the attack that was apparently in the works years ago.

Hours before he met his maker, one of the Kouachi brothers, called in to a French TV station to brag about his terrorist connections: "We are just telling you that we are the defenders of the prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, and that I, Cherif Kouachi, was sent by al-Qaida in Yemen. . . . And that I went there and that it's imam Al-Awlaki that financed me." Al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula, or AQAP, has also claimed responsibility for the attack.

We have heard this story before. Young, vulnerable people across the globe are recruited to travel overseas where they are befriended and brainwashed by radical Islamic jihadists who preach hate and murder. Their terrorist mentors indoctrinate and infect them with the cancer of radical Islam and send them back to their home country to inflict terror and kill. The seeds of violent extremism are planted all over the world and the attacks come whether it is days (or in this case years) later.

Lately, we have seen this in America where terrorist groups like the Islamic State (ISIS) have targeted and recruited disillusioned young people primarily through the Internet and social media. This is one of the most overlooked weak spots in our national security today.

American passport holders who travel overseas to fight with the Islamic State are not going to come back to open coffee shops; they are coming back to kill. We cannot let them come back at all. That is why I have reintroduced the FTO Passport Revocation Act.

This legislation would authorize the revocation or denial of passports and passport cards to individuals affiliated with foreign terrorist organizations.

The Benedict Arnold traitors who have turned against America and joined the ranks of foreign radical terrorist armies should lose all rights afforded to our citizens.

This bill will help law enforcement locate these individuals by preventing them from traveling internationally so that they can be captured and brought to justice.

Most important, this legislation will prevent turned Americans from entering the United States under the radar and undetected. As we saw in France, sleeper cells that are well-financed by groups in the Middle East have a longstanding order to attack whenever the time is right. We need to act before, not after, they come back to the United States.

The French prime minister said it best: "We're fighting a war, not a war against a religion, not a war of civilizations, but to defend our values, which are universal. It's a war

against terrorism and radical Islamism, against everything that aims to shatter solidarity, liberty, brotherhood."

The Paris attacks are a reminder that the cancer of radical Islam stretches far beyond the borders of the Middle East. The United States must do everything in its power to contain it outside our borders before the fight once again comes to us.

And that's just the way it is.

A TRIBUTE TO BRAD DUFFY

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Brad Duffy for being named a 2015 Forty Under 40 honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, Business Record.

Since 2000, Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of young leaders in the Greater Des Moines Area that are making an impact in their communities and their careers. Each year, forty up-and-coming community and business leaders under 40 years of age are selected for this prestigious honor based on a combined criteria of community involvement and success in their chosen career field. The 2015 class of Forty Under 40 honorees will join an impressive roster of 560 business leaders and growing.

Brad has the determination and drive to be successful in anything he does, and his exemplary work with Per Mar Security Services is a testament to that. As President of Security Officer Services, Brad is passionate about hard work and dedication, and is active within volunteer organizations in the community. He specifically volunteers with the Greater Des Moines Committee and Youth Home of Mid-America. Along with his wife, Alison, they volunteer their time to InnerVisions Healthcare; a West Des Moines based non-profit organization. In all aspects of his life, Brad is an example of the hard work and service that makes our state proud.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Brad in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud Brad for utilizing his talents to better both his community and the great state of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Brad on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing each member of the 2015 Forty Under 40 class a long and successful career.

IN RECOGNITION OF MAYOR MICHAEL B. RYAN

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate the Honorable Michael B. Ryan on his retirement as Mayor of Lake Como, New Jersey. As a mayor, union member and

United States Army Veteran, Mayor Ryan embodies the American spirit and his contributions are truly deserving of this body's recognition.

Mayor Ryan has been an outstanding public servant and labor advocate for both New Jersey and his home state of California. Mayor Ryan's introduction to labor and politics began in his native California, but he continued his efforts upon moving to New Jersey after marrying his wife, Marlene Brown. Mayor Ryan dedicated many years to leading his community as a council member, council president and mayor. Although retiring from elected office, Mayor Ryan remains active in local and state politics. For nearly 20 years, he has been Democratic Municipal Chairman of South Belmar and Lake Como. He has also been elected to the New Jersey State Democratic Committee and previously served as President of the south Belmar Democratic Club. Mayor Ryan is also committed to protecting labor rights, currently serving as Secretary Treasurer of the Monmouth and Ocean Counties Central Labor Council AFL-CIO and as a member of Teamsters-GCIU 612M.

In addition to his work in the public and labor sectors, Mayor Ryan is an Account Representative at Dimensional Management Corporation and is an active member of the community, volunteering at Camp Zehnder YMCA, serving as an usher at St. Rose Church and as a member of the Friendly Sons of the Shillelagh of the Jersey Shore and the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick.

Mr. Speaker, once again, please join me in congratulating Mayor Michael Ryan on his retirement. It is my hope that my colleagues will join me in thanking him for his leadership and service to the Borough of Lake Como.

TRIBUTE TO MS. JULIA SNELL

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation:

Whereas, our lives have been touched by the life of this one woman who has given of herself to her family, church, community, and nation; and

Whereas, Mrs. Julia Ann Holt Wilson Snell's good works are present across our nation, as an exemplary wife, aunt, neighbor, community worker, business owner and friend; and

Whereas, this giant of a woman, was reared in Buena Vista, Alabama, born July 1, 1907, to the late Mr. Daniel and Mrs. Irene Holt; and

Whereas, Mrs. Julia Ann Holt Wilson Snell was a virtuous woman, a woman of great integrity who remained true to the uplifting of her community and family which in turn uplifted others; and

Whereas, she was an exemplary matriarch, serving as a compass and wise counselor while bringing great joy to our district, her family and friends; and

Whereas, Mrs. Julia Aim Holt Wilson Snell loved her family, encouraged all of those around her to make a difference in her 107 years and blessed the lives of many in the states of Alabama, California, the Fourth Congressional District of Georgia and in her beloved church, Beulah Missionary Baptist Church where she was a faithful member; and

Whereas, this remarkable woman gave of herself, never asking for fame or fortune as she became a quiet storm, a spark that starts a flame; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to bestow a Congressional Recognition on Mrs. Julia Ann Holt Wilson Snell for her leadership, friendship and service to all of the citizens across the United States; now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr., do hereby attest to the 114th Congress that Mrs. Julia Ann Holt Wilson Snell, of DeKalb County, Georgia is deemed worthy and deserving of this "Congressional Recognition," Mrs. Julia Ann Holt Wilson Snell, U.S. Citizen of Distinction.

Proclaimed, this 31st day of January, 2015.

HONORING THE WORK OF THE TOGETHER CENTER

HON. SUZAN K. DELBENE

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Ms. DELBENE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Together Center in Redmond, Washington. This month, they will be celebrating their 25th anniversary.

For the past quarter-century, Together Center has worked as a coalition of several agencies, providing services and resources such as shelter, counseling, child care, mental health services, and medical and dental care. Together Center has an incredible impact on the lives of more than 40,000 individuals in East King County every year.

Together Center has become an integral part of the community, supporting individuals and other organizations by connecting them in a convenient and efficient manner. Individuals may address a variety of needs on one of Together Center's three campuses, which conveniently house 20 agencies.

I greatly appreciate the work Together Center does to lower the barriers to getting critical help that many people need, such as medical care or temporary shelter.

I want to thank Together Center for their steadfast commitment to our local community, and congratulate them on their impressive record of achievement since 1990.

A TRIBUTE TO CHRISTINA FERNANDEZ-MORROW

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Christina Fernandez-Morrow for being named a 2015 Forty Under 40 honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, Business Record.

Since 2000, Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of young leaders in the Greater Des Moines Area that are making an impact in their communities and their careers. Each year, forty up-and-coming community and business leaders under 40 years of age are selected for this prestigious honor based

on a combined criteria of community involvement and success in their chosen career field. The 2015 class of Forty Under 40 honorees will join an impressive roster of 560 business leaders and growing.

Christina has the determination and drive to be successful in anything she does, and her exemplary work with the Latina Leadership Initiative of Greater Des Moines is a testament to that. As executive director she uses her abilities to communicate with people from different cultures to advance both women and the Latino community. She dedicates her time to numerous organizations that elevate and advance the Latino community, especially as one of the founding board members of the Latino Heritage Festival. In all aspects of her life Christina is an example of the hard work and service that makes our state proud.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Christina in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud Christina for utilizing her talents to better both her community and the great state of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Christina on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing each member of the 2015 Forty Under 40 class a long and successful career.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, on January 20, 2009, the day President Obama took office, the national debt was \$10,626,877,048,913.08.

Today, it is \$18,152,428,120,668.55. We've added \$7,525,551,071,755.47 to our debt in 6 years. This is over \$7.5 trillion in debt our nation, our economy, and our children could have avoided with a balanced budget amendment.

IN RECOGNITION OF DR. JOHN F. CALLAHAN, RECIPIENT OF THE SWINGLE AWARD FROM THE GREATER PITTSSTON FRIENDLY SONS OF ST. PATRICK

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. John F. Callahan, who will receive the 2015 Swingle Award from the Greater Pittston, Pennsylvania Friendly Sons of Saint Patrick.

A native of Pittston, Dr. Callahan is a son of the late John A. Callahan and Catherine McNulty. He attended Scranton Prep High School and graduated from The University of Scranton. Before practicing medicine, Dr. Callahan was a school teacher, and he continued to teach medical students after becoming a doctor. Upon graduating from the Pennsylvania College of Osteopathic Medicine, Dr. Callahan operated a family practice in Pittston

and worked as an emergency room physician at the Pittston Hospital and Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center.

Dr. Callahan was instrumental in establishing the Care and Concern Free Clinic in Pittston. The clinic provides medical services to those who are underinsured or without insurance. In addition to medical care, the clinic offers dental care, psychiatric counseling, children's clothing and toys, and food.

Dr. Callahan was president of the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Medical Association (POMA) from 1998 to 1999. In 2000, he was named Physician of the Year by POMA. He also served on the POMA board for eight years. Dr. Callahan has acquired several other awards and recognitions from varying organizations throughout his career.

It is an honor to recognize Dr. John Callahan for his many accomplishments. I commend him for his service to our community, and I offer my deepest congratulation on receiving the Swingle Award from the Greater Pittston Friendly Sons of St. Patrick.

A TRIBUTE TO DREW BUHROW

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Drew Buhrow for being named a 2015 Forty Under 40 honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, Business Record.

Since 2000, Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of young leaders in the Greater Des Moines Area that are making an impact in their communities and their careers. Each year, forty up-and-coming community and business leaders under 40 years of age are selected for this prestigious honor based on a combined criteria of community involvement and success in their chosen career field. The 2015 class of Forty Under 40 honorees will join an impressive roster of 560 business leaders and growing.

Drew is Assistant Director of IT at Principal Financial Group, managing a multimillion-dollar budget and more than 40 information technology professionals. His career is demanding, but Drew looks to give back to his community at every opportunity. Drew is a volunteer leader at the St. John the Apostle Parish in Norwalk. He also volunteers for the IT Leadership Forum Charity Open, which raises money for college scholarships for qualifying students. Drew spends any additional free time following sports and he actively directs the Norwalk Twin Rivers baseball program. Drew's leadership skills and deep commitment to his community makes our state proud.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Drew in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud him for utilizing his talents to better both his community and the great state of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Drew on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work,

and wishing each member of the 2015 Forty Under 40 class a long and successful career.

TRIBUTE TO MR. EDWARD L. KEYTON

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation:

Whereas, Minister Edward L. Keyton is celebrating thirty-four (34) years in ministry this year and has provided stellar leadership to his church on an international level; and

Whereas, Minister Edward L. Keyton, under the guidance of God has pioneered and sustained the Church of Christ at Bouldercrest as Senior Evangelist, he has enhanced the church as an instrument in our community that uplifts the spiritual, physical and mental welfare of our citizens; and

Whereas, this remarkable and tenacious man of God has given hope to the hopeless, fed the hungry and is a beacon of light to those in need; and

Whereas, Minister Edward L. Keyton is a spiritual warrior, a man of compassion, a fearless leader and a servant to all, but most of all a visionary who has shared not only with his church, but with our district and the world his passion to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to honor and recognize Minister Edward L. Keyton as he celebrates thirty-four years in ministry and to salute him as he retires from ministerial leadership; A true Man of Excellence; now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr. do hereby proclaim April 17, 2015 as Minister Edward L. Keyton Day in the 4th Congressional District.

Proclaimed, this 17th day of March, 2015.

HONORING NOAH COUGHLAN'S RUN 4 RARE

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I, along with Rare Disease Caucus Co-Chairs Congressman LEONARD LANCE and Congressman JOSEPH CROWLEY, and Rare Disease Caucus Members Congresswoman DORIS MATSUI and Congressman GUS BILIRAKIS, submit the following Resolution:

Whereas, rare diseases affect nearly 30,000,000 people in the United States and 350 million people worldwide, and therefore touch every State and Congressional district in America;

Whereas, Noah Coughlan from Vacaville, California, is set to complete his third "Run 4 Rare" journey across the United States of America on July 4th, 2015 to raise awareness for rare diseases, making him the third and

youngest person to complete this achievement;

Whereas, the first steps of this journey were inspired by Catie and Annie Allio, two young girls born with Batten Disease, a rare disease that is heritable and which results in neurological degeneration that leads to death;

Whereas, rare diseases and disorders affect small patient populations in the United States of generally less than 200,000 individuals, and there are approximately 7,000 rare diseases identified in the United States at this time;

Whereas, millions of Americans have rare diseases for which there is no approved treatment, and people with rare diseases continue to face obstacles in accessing accurate diagnoses, sufficient treatment options, appropriate medical care expertise, and equitable reimbursement;

Whereas, the Orphan Drug Act and the Food and Drug Administration Safety and Innovation Act have helped to drive innovative and patient-centered advancements in research and treatment for rare diseases, yet there is much to be done;

Whereas, for the 10,000 total known diseases, there are treatments for only 500, and new drug development currently takes around 14 years and over \$2 billion, causing 95 percent of drugs development efforts to fail before a product is brought to market;

Whereas, Noah completed the first Run 4 Rare in 2011, a 2,500-mile journey from California to Florida that spanned over four months and brought together families and supporters across the country;

Whereas, Noah completed the second Run 4 Rare in 2013, a 3,100-mile journey from California to Massachusetts that spanned 105 days and carried the hope and momentum of the movement over nine mountain ranges, across three deserts, and through 17 states;

Whereas, Noah's third Run 4 Rare began at the Statue of Liberty on February 28, 2015 in honor of Rare Disease Day, and will be a 3,000-mile journey spanning 14 states;

Whereas, Noah carries with him an American flag flown in Iraq given to him by the United States Air Force courtesy of Travis Air Force Base in Fairfield, California, representing the resilience of rare disease patients, the bravery they exhibit in the face of adversity, and the freedom they seek through awareness and treatments;

Whereas, the Run 4 Rare effort symbolizes unity and hope across the United States for all Americans suffering from rare diseases, and all Americans who stand with them: therefore, be it

Resolved, that we the undersigned (1) support the spirit and message of Noah Coughlan's Run 4 Rare; (2) express solidarity with the rare disease community by committing to the development, advancement, and completion of a bipartisan 21st Century Cures Initiative to help accelerate the discovery, development, and delivery of promising new diagnostic tools, treatments, and cures for patients; and (3) support a national and global commitment to raising awareness, advancing solutions, and celebrating the resilience and bravery of individuals with rare diseases and disorders worldwide.